FISCAL NOTE

HB 1624 - SB 1789

March 11, 2001

SUMMARY OF BILL: Revises the duties of the Commission on Aging to include responsibilities for home and community based services for senior citizens and the disabled. The name would be changed to the Tennessee Commission on Aging and Disability. Adds the Executive Director of the Tennessee Developmental Disabilities Council to the commission and deletes the requirement for commission membership to include a representative of higher education. Adds a member representing a statewide organization for disabled persons. The commission is given duties representing disabled citizens as it now does for the elderly.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant

Changing the name of the commission and the increased board membership will lead to some increased costs but they can be absorbed within the current commission budget. Current plans call for the commission to contract with TennCare for some HCBS waiver responsibilities and these are included in the current budget.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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